

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Inventor(s): YAMAMURA ET AL

Appl. No.: 09 522,020

Series Code  $\rightarrow$  Serial No.  $\rightarrow$ 

Filed: March 8, 2000

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Group Art Unit 1731

Examiner: Derrington

Atty. Dkt. P 257743 SH-0016US

M# Client Ref

Appl. Title: GLASS ROD MANUFACTURING  
METHOD AND GLASS ROD  
MANUFACTURING APPARATUS**REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

Date: October 24, 2001

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated herein by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

**FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

| Claims remaining after amendment  | Highest number previously paid for | Present Extra | Large/Small Entity           | Additional Fee | Fee Code<br>Lg/Sm |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1. Small Entity claim   |                                    |               |                              |                |                   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT made  |                                    |               |                              |                |                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn  |                                    |               |                              |                |                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> made herewith  |                                    |               |                              |                |                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> made previously  |                                    |               |                              |                |                   |
| For B & C. See Required Separate Paper (Pat.256)  |                                    |               |                              |                |                   |
| 2. Total Effective Claims   | **minus                            | 0 0           | x \$18/\$9 =                 | + \$0          | 103/203           |
| 3. Independent Claims   | ***minus                           | 0 0           | x \$84/\$42 =                | + \$0          | 102/202           |
| 4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave blank if this is a reissue application).....add |                                    |               | x \$280/\$140 =              | + \$0          | 104/204           |
| 5. Original due Date: October 28, 2001 <input type="checkbox"/> NONE  |                                    |               |                              |                |                   |
| 6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due date to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is attached           |                                    |               |                              |                |                   |
| (1 mo) \$110/\$55 =   |                                    |               | 115/215                      |                |                   |
| (2 mos) \$400/\$200 =   |                                    |               | 116/216                      |                |                   |
| (3 mos) \$920/\$460 =   |                                    |               | 117/217                      |                |                   |
| (Usable only for $\leq$ 2mo.OA --- 4 mos) \$1,440/\$720 =   |                                    |               | 118/218                      |                |                   |
| (Usable only for 30 day/1mo.OA --- 5 mos) \$1,960/\$980 =   |                                    |               | 128/228                      |                |                   |
| 7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract   |                                    |               | - \$0                        |                |                   |
| 8. Extension Fee Attached   |                                    |               | + \$0                        |                |                   |
| 9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee .....   |                                    |               | + \$110/\$55 + \$0 148/248   |                |                   |
| 10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c), .....add   |                                    |               | + \$130 126                  |                |                   |
| or if Rule 97(d) Request .....add   |                                    |               | + \$180 126                  |                |                   |
| 11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r) .....  |                                    |               | + \$740/370 + \$0 146/246    |                |                   |
| 12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b) .....  |                                    |               | x \$740/370 ea + \$0 149/249 |                |                   |
| 13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) .....   |                                    |               | + \$740/370 + \$0 1179/1279  |                |                   |
| 14. Petition fee for .....  |                                    |               | + \$0                        |                |                   |
| 15. TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED =  |                                    |               | \$0                          |                |                   |

16. \*\*If the entry in this space is less than entry in next space, the "Present Extra" result is "0".

17. \*\*If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

18. \*\*\*If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 28, 2001, the applicants elect the Group I claims for prosecution herein. The non-elected claims are being retained for the time being. However, the Examiner may cancel these claims for allowance of the application with the elected claims.

Favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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